

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

APPLICANT(S): Theodore Antonakopoulos et al.

SERIAL NO.: 10/723,153

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FOR: DATA OVERWRITING N PROBE-BASED DATA STORAGE  
DEVICES

Commissioner for Patents  
 P.O. Box 1450  
 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

**AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL FORM**

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

- [ ] Small entity status of this application under 37 C.F.R. §§1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously submitted.
- [ ] A verified statement to establish small entity under 37 C.F.R. §§1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.
- No additional fee is required.

For	Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest No. Previously Paid For	Present Extra	Rate (Small Entity)	Addit. Fee	Rate	Addit. F e
TOTAL CLAIMS*	55	55	0	x 9 =	\$0	x 18 =	\$0
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS	5	5	0	x 43 =	\$0	x 86 =	\$0
□ First Presentation of Multiple Dep. Claim				140		290	\$0

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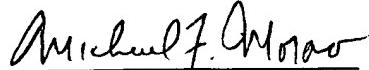
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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Sir:

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

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